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EOD at Konya

Where two nations train side by side

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Senior Airman Jacob Balik, 39th Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal Flight journeyman, takes aim with a Barrett 0.50 caliber sniper rifle on the range at Konya, Turkey. See related story, Page 5. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Kevin Hammer)

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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS



By Col. "Tip" Stinnette
39th Air Base Wing commander

The "3 Fs of Incirlik"

Many of you will recall from my "What I Believe" series of articles and my first briefing to the team as well as every new-comer, the priorities of Family, Fitness, Focus ... the "3 Fs of Incirlik." I'd like to take this topic to the next level and operationalize it so that the priorities hit home in practice and deed.

The "3 Fs of Incirlik" help to point the way in organizing our efforts and initiatives while leveraging the command's Combat Programs.

Family is a multidimensional word ... we each have immediate family, extended family and are valued members of the wing, command and Air Force families. Clearly, all must be right with the family in order for us to tend to the business of the mission.

The Combat Wingman program is about leveraging the family to support the individual.

Project CHEER is an initiative that seeks to support those that are unaccompanied.

Combat Care is all about taking care of families while members are deployed, and Hidden Heroes recognizes the volunteers who support our installation family and work to improve our quality of life.

Fitness is a word that we normally apply to the concept of maintaining physical aptitude. But in the context of the "3 Fs of Incirlik," fitness includes the mental, emotional, spiritual and physical dimensions of each of us.

Combat Fitness is all about maintaining a physical aptitude that is up to the rigors of expeditionary operations.

Less intuitive is the point that Combat Touch supports emotional and spiritual fitness and that Combat Education, Combat Nighthawk, Project Wizard and Project Connect all address aspects of mental fitness.

Focus, the third of the "3 Fs of Incirlik," addresses the mission that we are here to serve.

Combat Flightline seeks to ensure that we apply our mission resources correctly and Combat Intro/Exit is about getting our people to the "fight" quickly and effectively.

Customer College takes mission support to the next level by educating our people on how best to take care of their customers.

Project SMART is focused on ensuring that we preserve our most valued resource ... the Airmen, by cultivating a force that trains for safety as a combat skill while exercising personal risk management.

And the idea behind Combat Proud is to set appearance standards that support and foster mission productivity.

Family

Fitness

Focus ...

The "3 Fs of Incirlik" is the chart we will fly by, everything we do for each other, ourselves and the mission can fit on this chart. Each "F" is a turn-point. Family is the pre-initial point, fitness is the initial point and focus is the target and we must transition each point on the way to the target.

In the flying business we read from the chart first and orient ourselves to the ground rather than the other way around. In the case of where we are going as a team, we are all about the "3 Fs of Incirlik."

Bring your courage, conviction and communicate!

Action Line

Exporting Turkish dogs, unwanted stares

Exporting a Kangal

Q: According to Turkish customs, Kangal dogs are not allowed out of the country. From what I heard, there is one leaving on the rotator this week and one next week. If it is against Turkish customs, how are these dogs getting on the Patriot Express?

A: Exporting the Kangal dog is not for bidden, however; special permission must be obtained from the Union of Taking Services to Rural Areas (Villages) of Kangal Governor's Office (Sivas Province).

If a Kangal is purchased directly from the Kangal Governor's Office, the buyer receives all vaccination reports and special permission to transport the dog out of the country from that office.

If the Kangal dog is being purchased from another source, the KGO must physically see the dog with the full vaccination reports in order to grant approval.

Additional information regarding the exportation of Kangal dogs can either be obtained by e-mailing kangal@ttnet.net.tr or by calling 0-346-457 15 36. For online information, visit the Turkish Ministry of Culture and Tourism Web Site at www.kultur.gov.tr

The owner is responsible for health certificates and host nation regulations prior to traveling or PCSing with various species of pets.

For more information, call the Veterinary facility at 6-3119.

Unwanted stares

Q: I have a strong concern for all teen age girls and older women. By

Turkish law, we are not allowed to be rude to Turkish people. I know it is in Turkish nature to look at people or stare. I personally believe it goes too far sometimes. Why is it okay for Turkish men on base to stare at us in a sexual manner?

I have talked to a lot of other females who have the same complaints. We don't think it is right for Turkish men to stare at us like that, but by law we can't say something in our defense? Sure we could say "please don't stare at me!" But it never gets the point across, they just keep staring.

I am sure it is not just me that it happens to.

A: We understand your point and are empathetic with you discomfort. We asked our Host Nation Adviser, Mehmet Bibiri, about the staring. He advises one way to mitigate the looks is to dress conservatively, on- and off-base. This approach will help you blend in better since Turkish people are curious by nature and prone to stare at strangers or foreigners who look different.

The direct approach on base is also an effective deterrent ... if someone stares at you, ask them not to stare at you. Mehmet says that should solve it.

If not, advise the Law Enforcement desk, at 6-3200. A Joint Patrol Security Force will respond.

Being stared at can be uncomfortable just as you pointed out and as a community we can certainly work to modify this type of behavior.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to address this concern.

Commander's Action Line program

The Action Line program provides an avenue for the Incirlik community to voice concerns, complaints and opinions to Col. "Tip" Stinnette, 39th Air Base Wing commander. The program should be used after trying to resolve the issue through the chain of command.

Submit Action Lines by e-mailing action.line@incirlik.af.mil or calling the 39th Public Affairs Office at 6-6060. Concerns are edited to 300 words or less. Action Lines with base-wide interest may be printed in the *Tip of the Sword*.

YOUR TURN

How did you stay safe during the 101 Days of Summer?

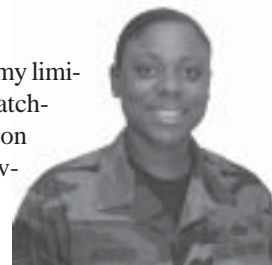
"I didn't go out drinking."

— Capt. Dean Cranney, 39th Medical Squadron



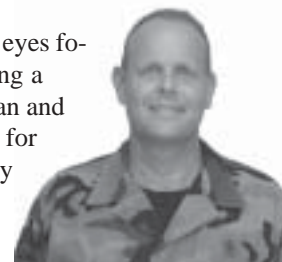
"Knowing my limitations and watching my speed on base while driving."

— Tech. Sgt. Delanna Jemison, 39th Logistics Readiness Squadron



"Kept my eyes focused on being a good wingman and watching out for others as they watched out for me."

— Chief Master Sgt. Stephen Akers, 39th MDS



"Lifting with my legs and not my back, and drinking plenty of water."

— Staff Sgt. Carlotta Griffith, IMA with the 15th Communications Squadron Hulburt Field, Fla.



"Sports wise, I stretched out before each game during softball season."

— Liam Gannon, 39th Services Squadron



To submit a question for "Your Turn," call 6-6060 or e-mail tip.sword@incirlik.af.mil

“Greets” team brightens holidays

By 1st Lt. S.J.B. Bryant
39th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

“Hi, my name is Staff Sgt. Jamie Jones from Incirlik Air Base, Turkey. I want to wish my mom, dad and all of my family back in Jacksonville, Florida, a very happy holiday season. I love and miss you all.”

That is a typical hometown holiday greeting videotaped by the Air Force News Service’s Hometown Holiday Greetings team every year and one that might be heard at the Official Document Center Sept. 21 through 23 as the team visits Incirlik.

The team, in operation since 1984, travels to bases far and wide to record service member’s greetings before the holidays so family members in the United States might catch a glimpse of their military member’s smiling face, according to Tom Taylor, Army and Air Force Hometown News Service Broadcast News Division chief.

The team visits more than 80 installations and records approximately 14,000 greetings annually. These 15-20 second radio and video greetings are then mailed to more than 2,500 radio, television and cable stations nationwide for use during the 2005/2006 holiday season, according to Mr. Taylor.

“I taped a greet when I was a Senior Airman at Incirlik more than 10

years ago,” said Capt. Denise Burnham, 39th Air Base Wing public affairs chief. “I’m from the small town of Rochester, N.H., so all my friends and family saw it; probably most of the state saw it. It took me less than three minutes to tape the greet but my family was still excited about it well into January. I suggest everyone make time to do this for their loved ones back home.”

Incirlik members have the chance to create that same memory for their loved ones by taping a hometown holiday greeting Sept. 21 through 23 at the Official Document Center. Appointments are available for members according to unit affiliation. There are 144 appointments available for all 1,400 military members but walk-ins are always welcome. Remember, those with appointments will be served first and walk-ins might have to wait five minutes to one hour depending on the waiting list.

“This is a fantastic program and a great opportunity for Team Incirlik members to connect with family and friends in the states,” said Col. “Tip” Stinnette, 39th ABW commander. “I am looking forward to recording a greeting for my wife Pat, and daughter, Rikki, who are in New Jersey. On the surface, a 15-second spot may appear to be far short of Andy Warhol’s 15 minutes of fame, but the 10 minutes it takes to record the spot rivals any other 10 minutes one could spend in terms of value and ability to reach out and send the very best of

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Gen. Moseley Air Forces’s 18th chief of staff

By 1st Lt. Tim Dougherty
Air Force Print News

ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, Md. — Gen. T. Michael Moseley was sworn in as the Air Force’s 18th chief of staff in a ceremony here Sept. 2 that also featured the retirement of Gen. John P. Jumper after 39 years of service.

Acting Secretary of the Air Force Pete Geren presided over the ceremony. Also taking part in the ceremony were Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Richard B. Myers.

Secretary Rumsfeld thanked General Jumper for his “exemplary service” to the nation. “Nowhere except in the military service can you wake up every day and know that our country is safer because of you,” Secretary Rumsfeld said. “John Jumper, you can do that literally every day for the rest of your life.”

“You’ve given us a great Air Force,” General Moseley told General Jumper during the ceremony. “We are all going to make it our life’s work for you to be proud of us and to continue on the path that you have given us. It is our continued promise that we Airmen will be the best in the world at what we do — dominating air and space.”

Mr. Geren said the Air Force is in good hands with General Moseley.

“With General Jumper’s retirement this is a bittersweet day for the Air Force,” Mr. Geren said. “But we’re gaining a new chief of staff who has been proven in battle over Iraq and Afghanistan. As the vice chief, he has been directly involved in running the Air Force for the last two years, and he’s ready.”

General Myers said there is no better Airman to take the reins of the Air Force than General Moseley.

“General Moseley knows a lot about how to deliver air power and what kind of air power to deliver to make effects happen on the battle space,” General Myers said. “During this critical time, General Moseley and his wife are exactly the right people, and we welcome them on board.”

General Moseley said the continued success of the Air Force hinges on the efforts of thousands of Airmen engaged in combat operations worldwide or performing humanitarian relief in the tragic aftermath of the hurricane on the Gulf Coast.

“This magnificent Air Force is engaged across the globe,” General Moseley said. “The Airmen you see here today, and watching this ceremony around the world, are our



U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Jim Varhegyi

Gen. T. Michael Moseley addresses the audience after being sworn in as the 18th Air Force chief of staff during a ceremony Sept. 2. General Moseley served as vice chief of staff of the Air Force before being sworn in.

greatest resource and our greatest power. These Airmen are what makes the Air Force the most powerful air and space force in the world.”

Offerings at chapel service go long way

By Capt. Denise Burnham
39th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

We are all taught certain rules in life; look both ways before crossing the road, do not take candy from strangers and do not make change from the offering dish.

Many of us probably wonder, where does all that money go?

Incirlik chapel donations are a vital part of chapel operations. The donations are used for many mission requirements and special community projects both on- and off-base.

Chapel funds are managed in accordance with AFI 52-105, *Chaplain Service Chapel Tithes and Offering Funds*, to ensure chapel resources are purchased within specific guidelines. The chapel has two sources of monies to work from, appropriated funds and chapel tithes and offerings funds. Appropriated funds are primarily used for ministry, people, resources and technology. These areas encompass the programs which make the church work such as manpower, musicians, choir directors, training, religious activities coordinators, auxiliary chaplains and special activities.

"We have programs for men, women, children, youth and singles," said Chaplain (Maj.) Ken Reyes, 39th Air Base Wing chaplain. "We just completed a week of Vacation Bible School with over 100 in attendance. We also sponsored 19 spiritual pilgrimages across Turkey."

In addition to improvements and morale programs on base, the chapel donations are also used to assist those in nearby Adana.

"Last year our chapel gave more than \$40,000 in designated offerings to a variety of organizations," said Staff Sgt. Dennis



Brigman, 39th ABW chapel resource NCO in charge. "With private donations in addition to designated offerings, the chapel community gave \$25,000 to help build a house church in Adana.

"Truly this was the highlight for the chapel community," he continued. "In addition, the chapel has also donated clothing, furniture, paint and time to upgrade a local orphanage, and share in helping poor families obtain needed clothing through the Adana Hands of Compassion organization."

Each week after collection, the funds are deposited in the chapel safe and within 48 hours are deposited into the USAFE chaplain service checking account. The checks and cash are counted and deposited by the 39th

Services Squadron and 39th Comptroller Squadron and then electronically transferred to the USAFE account.

There are three accountants to manage all the chapel funds in USAFE, so areas are divided by region of responsibility. Each year, headquarters keeps six percent of all funds received by the Incirlik Chapel to pay for the consolidated accounting services.

"Incirlik keeps 94 percent of all funds collected," said Sergeant Brigman. "Parish advisory councils and chapel leadership determine how the money we keep is spent."

The chapel also uses donations to support locally-provided programs such as Crossroads Café, Follower's Feast, Protestant and Catholic men, women, youth and children of the chapel activities.

Annually, several parish-selected charities reap the benefits of all the donations on predetermined Sundays. Annually, all Air Force chapels give one of their designated offerings to the Air Force chief of chaplains. This offering aids in funding conferences, personnel retirement gifts and condolences gifts for Air Force chapel personnel.

Currently, the base chapel has six opportunities for people to worship on base: Traditional Service, 8 a.m.; Catholic Mass, 9:30 a.m.; Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 10 a.m.; Gospel Service at 11:15 a.m.; Islamic and Arabic Study and Discussion, 2 p.m.; and the Contemporary Service, 6 p.m. In addition, the chapel has local lay leaders for Jewish, Neo-Pagan and Earth-based religions in the community. Daily Catholic Mass is Tuesday through Friday at 11:30 a.m. For more information about chapel services or to seek volunteer opportunities, contact the chapel at 6-6441.

Protect your teeth, use a mouth guard

With the start of school Aug. 29 and many ongoing sports, it is a good idea to make sure everyone is well equipped.

Those who enjoy football, basketball, soccer, hockey, rollerblading or any other sport that presents a risk of injury to the head, face, or mouth should wear a mouth guard. This goes for children and adults.

While not always mandatory, mouth guards can prevent injuries to the mouth, teeth, lips, cheeks and tongue as a result of head-to-head contact, falls, teeth clenching or impact from equipment. For this reason, mouth guards should be a part of everyone's

gear. This simple piece of equipment can help prevent a devastating and painful oral injury.

There are basically three types of mouth guards: custom-made, mouth-formed and ready-made.

Custom-made mouth guards are designed by your dentist and formed to a cast model of your teeth. Because of this, they are the best fitting and provide greater protection and comfort.

Mouth-formed and ready-made guards are available in most sporting goods stores and are frequently stocked on base with the

sports equipment. Generally, these do not form to the teeth as well as a custom-made mouth guards and therefore are less effective at preventing injuries.

So, do everything possible to prevent facial injuries and protect a smile. Wear a mouth guard.

The 39th Dental Flight will be holding Mouth-guard Mania Day to make custom-made mouth guards for service members and their families Sept. 24. Call the flight at 6-6104 or 6-6435 for an appointment.

(Information courtesy 39th Dental Flight)

U.S., TuAF EOD combine forces on the range in Konya

By Senior Airman Stephanie Hammer
39th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

Four members of the 39th Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal Flight joined with Turkish Air Force EOD technicians in Konya, Turkey, to share knowledge on ordnance disposal techniques Aug 21-26.

Explosive Ordnance Disposal technicians put themselves in harm's way with the purpose of protecting life and property from the hazards of unexploded ordnance. Working with host-nation counterparts is a key factor in fulfilling that mission, especially in an overseas location like Turkey.

"One of the biggest obstacles to overcome is the language barrier," said Staff Sgt. Kevin Hammer, 39th CES EOD craftsman and team chief for the exercise in Konya. "You can tell a lot by what a person says and how they say it. Also, in our career field, every word is important. An interpreter, for example, may not understand the significance of a word here or there, and if they were to unintentionally leave it out, it could mean serious problems for us in the end."

Besides the language barrier, Sergeant Hammer said training styles between the U.S. and Turkish EOD technicians is much different and something both sides have to learn to work around.

"We have to be on the same page," said Senior Airman Ryan Bobzin, 39th CES EOD journeyman. "We need to learn to work together in training first so when the 'real world' call comes, it's not the first time we're trying to overcome these obstacles. If we wait until then, it's too late and lives could be at stake."

Some Turkish officers go through a U.S. training course at Navy School of Explosive Ordnance Disposal at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., alongside American EOD students. After initial schooling, joint training continues in the field.

"Whether we are working together on the range or on a real call, our lives are in each other's hands and we need to know how we react while in a panic or when our lives are in danger," said 1st Lt.



Staff Sgt. Kevin Hammer

Senior Airman Ryan Bobzin, 39th Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal Flight journeyman, sets up a MK23 exrod to attempt to partially detonate a Russian bomb on the range in Konya, Turkey, Aug. 23. U.S. EOD forces teamed up with Turkish EOD forces to share knowledge on ordnance disposal techniques.

Ahmet Akarca, TuAF EOD officer. "We need to practice a lot to understand each other."

Due to the increased terrorist threat, Sergeant Hammer said they are more likely to work with the Turkish EOD now than they did in the past.

"They live in this country; they know what the threat is more than us," he said. "It's good to work with other nationalities' EOD; it better prepares us for real-world operations in a war-time environment."

Touch n' Go: Touches down for free concert

By Capt. Denise Burnham
39th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

A seven-member ensemble from the U.S. Air Forces in Europe Band, "Touch n' Go," is scheduled to perform here Friday 7:30 p.m. at Arkadas Park.

The group will perform a free concert for Team Incirlik members as part of a morale-boosting, end-of-summer concert arranged by Gen. Robert H. "Doc" Foglesong, USAFE commander. The performance is to thank the hard-working people assigned to the 39th Air Base Wing and its tenant units.

"We want to see a lot of folks out at the park Friday night," said Lt. Col. Michael Platt, 39th Services Squadron commander. "There will be free food and entertainment for every-

one beginning at 5 p.m. and the weather should be beautiful that evening."

Detachment 7 AFN will broadcast on-location live before the show. There will be activities for children, such as a bouncy castle, bungee run and laser tag. Grown ups will not be short on pre-show fun with the Strongest, Fastest, Smartest Airmen contest which involves lifting, running and ultimate trivia categories.

After the games and free food, the "concert in the park" will start.

Formed in 1976, Touch n' Go has performed for millions throughout many regions to include such places as Scandinavia, Africa, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan and Qatar according to their website.

In addition, the ensemble has opened for shows featuring country singer LeAnn Rimes and comedian Robin Williams at events held in Germany, the band's home station. They have also performed for wounded military members at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center.

The USAFE band is commanded by Maj. Scott Guidry and has performed for the president of the United States, prime ministers and at many distinguished events in the region. The band travels more than 200 days each year to meet the musical needs of the Airmen at each location. They perform country, classic rock and top 40 hits.

For more information about the free concert Friday night, call 39th SVS at 6-3108.

Wingman that never sleeps

By 1st Lt. Elizabeth Culbertson
USAFE News Service

RAMSTEIN AIRBASE, Germany (USAFENS) – U.S. Air Forces in Europe members looking for a comprehensive source of information on everything from childcare to car parts have only to pick up the phone or log on to a computer for a one-stop shop.

Air Force OneSource is a consultant service that falls under the Military OneSource program and has been available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year since 2003.

Whether members are seeking translation services, trying to ship a pet or looking for special needs care, the consultants at the two stateside call centers field all requests. Air Force OneSource is manned by trained, licensed, master's-level consultants that have a 48-hour standard return time for requests.

"There's not much (Air Force OneSource) can't do," said Gretchen Shannon, USAFE Family Matters community readiness consultant. "Instead of stressing out over a problem, let the qualified consultants do the research for you."

The range of support services includes relocation, financial matters, family readiness, education, everyday issues, family support, emotional well-being, addiction and recovery and health and wellness, said Ms. Shannon. The consultants also offer translation services for more than 140 languages and sub-sets.

"Air Force OneSource is a 'virtual employee' of the family support center," she said. "It allows active duty, Reserve and Air National Guard and their immediate family members to go into the system and receive information that will be helpful to them. It's

one of the tools in the FSC toolbox that complements the services that the family support center provides."

Prepaid educational materials are available in a variety of formats (booklet, CD, cassette, and electronic downloads) and can be ordered via phone or online and shipped free of charge. Materials cover such varied topics as parenting, deployment, reunion, education, finance, elderly care, health and wellness, crisis support and relocation.

"The services offered are especially useful to members at geographically separated units and shift-workers," said Ms. Shannon.

Approximately 11 percent of the Air Force has used AF OneSource in the last 10 months (fiscal year October 2004 - present), said Mischell Navarro, USAFE family matters acting chief. The goal is to have 15 percent use the service each fiscal year.

Military OneSource is constantly adding new features to its web site, said Dr. Navarro.

"Some new, exciting additions are the free use of Turbo Tax to all service members and their families by going through the Military OneSource web link, brand new video clips of consultants talking about emotional well being issues and the new single service member bulletin board," said Dr. Navarro.

One of the biggest advantages to the service, said Ms. Shannon, is the availability.

"The family support center is always present, but it can't be manned 24/7/365," she said. "Air Force OneSource is the FSC wingman that never sleeps."

Air Force OneSource is available online at www.airforceonesource.com/ or by phone (outside the U.S.) at 800-7075-7844. Military OneSource is available at www.militaryonesource.com/. The site requires users to log on by using "airforce" as the user ID and "ready" as the password.



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WATCH.REPORT.PROTECT.

- ◆ Know your neighborhood, when something seems out of the ordinary report it.

- ◆ Don't become predictable, vary routes to and from work and other places.

- ◆ Know alternate routes to a destination. Don't get stuck in a traffic jam. Keep car doors locked and be prepared for the unexpected.

- ◆ Be aware of your surroundings. Report suspicious activity to the law enforcement desk at 6-3200.

IN THE NEWS

Birthday Blast

The base will celebrate the Air Force's 58th birthday with a barbecue and squadron sports competition at Leisure Time Park Sept. 17 for any person over the age of 18. Events will begin at 4 p.m. with dinner being served at 6 p.m. The cost for dinner is \$5 per person. Other events include an Ironman competition, water war games and a fear factor contest. Tickets are available from unit first sergeants.

MDS redesignation

The 39th Medical Squadron will be redesignated as a group Sept. 21 during a ceremony at the Incirlik club beginning at 2 p.m. For more information, call Capt. Franklin Porcil, 6-6706.

Katrina info sources

There are a number of organizations collecting funds for victims of Hurricane Katrina, which hit the southern states of Louisiana, Alabama and Mississippi Aug. 29. Below are organizations collecting funds specifically for these victims.

The Air Force Aid Society, the American Red Cross, Friends of the Family Support Center (Randolph AFB, Texas), DSN 314-652-5321, The Network for Good, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Salvation Army.

Hometown Holiday taping

The AFNEWS Hometown Holiday Greetings Team will videotape holiday greetings Sept. 21 - 23 at the Official Document Center from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

See your first sergeant for details on how to make an appointment by Sept. 15. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Golf championship

There will be a base golf championship Sept. 24 and 25 starting at 8 a.m. The cost is \$25 and includes tournament fees and Sunday's lunch but does not include greens fees or cart rental.

For more information or to sign up, call the Hodja Lakes Golf Course at 6-3313.

Team Incirlik supports Gulf Region's hurricane victims 6,500 miles away

Photo and story by 1st Lt. S.J.B. Bryant
39th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

While offers of support have poured in from around the world to help the victims of Hurricane Katrina, Incirlik Airmen seek not only to "take care of their own" but to take care of others by donating approximately \$13,000 to the cause to date.

Locally, the base chapel collected a designated offering Sunday, which raised more than \$12,000 and will host another designated offering in the future.

Adults are not the only ones who need support as thousands of children have been affected by the hurricane. The youth of Incirlik "helped their own" as well by supporting Department of Defense established relief efforts collecting donations for Combined Federal Campaign charities specifically supporting hurricane victims. The children's collection was a collaborative effort between the Community Activity Center, Youth Center and Incirlik High School and appropriately named "Cookies for Cash" since the children offered cookies in exchange for donations to the charity.

Wiyada Lee, Community Activity Center director, wanted to give \$1 for every mile between here and the Gulf region. To reach that goal, children volunteered to stand outside the base exchange and commissary Wednesday and Thursday offering cookies for support.

"We ended up raising more than \$800 the first day," said Mrs. Lee. I know that is a lot of money but we need to be thinking of others who have nothing."

The Incirlik Air Base team is all about lending a hand to those in need and recognizes that the wingman concept is not geographically constrained, said Col. "Tip" Stinnette, 39th Air Base Wing commander.

"Many of our Airmen stationed here have a connection to the Gulf Coast region. They have family and friends in the area and many of us attended technical school at Keesler Air Force Base. That said, the truly remarkable thing is that many who have contributed have no direct connection to the victims or area whatsoever ... that is service before self in action."

Even the Incirlik Village Merchant's Association has rolled up its sleeves to help. Its president, Abdulkerim Estetik, offered numerous items to be auctioned to raise money for the victims.

"We wanted to show the people stationed here that we care about them and all other Americans," said Mr. Estetik. "We just wanted to express our heartfelt condolences and show that we care."

Incirlik people can still support the thousands in Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi affected by the hurricane, which ripped through the South Aug. 29, locally or online. People may drop off donations at the chapel, where the money will be collected and sent to the AET Chaplain office for distribution to families at Keesler AFB.



Tyler Braden and Barron Frazier, both 6, collect a donation from Tiana Peyton-Harris at the Commissary Wednesday for Hurricane Katrina victims.

"Just because the chapel collected a designated offering for the victims last Sunday does not mean people missed the chance to give support to their fellow man," said Chaplain (Maj.) Kenneth Reyes, 39th ABW wing chaplain. "I feel this will be an ongoing donation opportunity. Currently, the chapel will continue to accept money for these victims and send it to the Air Education and Training Command Chapel Headquarters, who designated the monies for the families at Keesler."

Or people can donate online through the AFAS Hurricane Relief Fund by calling 1-703-607-3073 or 1-800-769-8951. The AFAS/HRF is also available via a

secure online credit card form located at www.afas.org. For those sending checks, they should be made payable to "Air Force Aid Society" with "hurricane relief fund" in the memo line.

While fundraising for Hurricane Katrina victims is a top priority for many base organizations right now, they should keep in mind that between Oct. 3 and Nov. 1 – when the Combined Federal Campaign kicks off at Incirlik – certain considerations must be made since DoD regulations limit organizations from fundraising that competes with CFC charities during the CFC season. Therefore, base organizations who want to donate to the relief efforts during the CFC should do so through the charities participating in the CFC. As always, the 39th Services Squadron is the point of contact for all base fundraising requests.

Several of these CFC-listed charities are using the majority of their funds to help victims and include: America's Second Harvest (CFC# 0437), American Red Cross (CFC#0700), Catholic Charities USA (CFC#0102), Christian Reformed World Relief Committee (CFC#0356), Church World Service/CROP (CFC#0310), Feed The Children (CFC#2052), Operation Blessing International Relief and Development Corp. (CFC#2038), Salvation Army World Service Office (CFC#0338) and United Methodist Committee on Relief (CFC#0352). For more information, visit the CFC website specifically for Katrina relief at www.opm.gov/cfc/opmmemos/2005/2005-10.asp.

Individuals, on the other hand, are certainly allowed to donate to any number of organizations as they prefer, said Lt. Col. Robert Ramey, 39th ABW staff judge advocate. However, CFC-listed charities have already been proven reliable and credible; thus, reducing the risk of individuals donating to fraudulent groups seeking only to profit off the discomfort of others.



Ask MEHMET

By Mehmet Birbiri, Host Nation Adviser

Turkish Fast Food

Mehmet, fast food is a fact in today's world. What Turkish foods are considered fast food?

I think every nation, country and culture have "fast food" type foods.

The most common fast food in Turkey is *doner kebab*. But some other fast food items are more common in various regions. Here are the most popular Turkish fast food dishes:

Doner kebab is chunks of lamb or beef meat placed on a huge skewer. The meat and skewer look like a cone. The meat cone spins vertically very slowly against an open flame. While spinning, the meat becomes grilled and the cook cuts the grilled meat with the help of a very long sword-looking knife in very thin slices. It looks as if the cook is shaving the cooked meat. The grilled meat is put on a pide (flat) bread adding some sliced lettuce, pickle and tomato slices. The bread is rolled and given to the customer. Sometimes you will see specially baked sandwich bread used for doners. If doner is served in a plate on pide with tasty tomato sauce and yogurt, it is called *Iskender*. Bursa, a city close to Istanbul, is the hometown of Doner and Iskender. More commonly than lamb and beef meat, you will see doner cooked with chicken at almost every corner in big cities. Very few restaurants use coal or wood for doner. Specially designed liquid petroleum gas doner grills are used everywhere.

Doner is so common and popular in Germany as well due to the large Turkish population there; it is said that doner is becoming a national food for the Germans.

Adana durum kebab is minced lamb meat placed around a wide skewer and cooked over a coal fire. The meat is treated with salt and red pepper, hot pepper if you desire, before being placed around the skewer. You should be careful to place the meat around the skewer so it doesn't fall down before and while on the fire. After cooking it, the meat is put on flat bread (pide). Sliced onion, parsley, tomato, and lettuce are put on the bread with the cooked meat and everything is rolled in the bread. Then it is packed (rolled) in a paper. A slice of lemon and a few pieces of raddish will be added to the package. You will see Adana Durum Kebab stands, even modified push carts, everywhere in Adana.

Sish kebab durum is pieces of chicken, lamb or beef on thinner skewers and grilled over a coal fire. Cooking and serving is the same as Adana Durum Kebab.

Kofte ekmek (Meat balls and bread): You can find this fast food throughout Turkey. Meat balls are grilled on hot plates and served in half a loaf of bread. In addition to the meat balls you will have sliced onion, hot spice, tomato, salad and parsley in your bread. Kofte



Photo by Airman Dawn Duman

Emin Konak, Turkish Cafe employee, cuts some chicken doner for a customer Wednesday.

ekmek sellers conduct their business either with their modified push carts or modified vans for that purpose.

Lahmacun is a Turkish pizza when minced lamb or beef is mixed and treated with tomato, onion, salt, parsley, red pepper (mild or hot), and it is spread on a layer of thin dough. It is baked in an oven. Add parsley and squeeze lemon onto it, then roll it and eat.

Kumpir started in big cities in recent years and is favored mostly by young people. It is basically a baked potato. After baking and cutting the potato, cheese and salt are added and mixed. Later, various ingredients could be added like mayonnaise, sliced green and black olives, pickle, peas, mushrooms, sausages and corn ... etc.

Gozleme is a very thin sheet of dough baked on a curved sheet of metal. After baking the dough, it is filled with cheese, spinach or mince. Of course, the filler is treated with spices, especially red pepper. It is made and served fresh while you wait. You can easily see women opening the dough and baking gozleme on an open fire by the lake in Adana and in the streets of tourist areas. *Sikma* or *bazlama* are the other names for gozleme.

Simit are Turkish doughnuts. It is probably the most common and popular fast food in Turkey. Accompanied with a cup of tea, it is the main fast food for breakfast.

Ayran is the national non-alcoholic drink consumed with Turkish fast food items. It is a mixture of yogurt and water. Salt is added depending on one's taste.

Do you have a question about something Turkish? Ask Mehmet. To submit a question, call 6-6060 or e-mail mehmet.birbiri@incirlik.af.mil.

Victory Day soccer tournament

By Tech. Sgt. Robert Burgess
39th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

The Aug. 30 soccer tournament wasn't like a 2006 World Cup qualifier match, but more like a friendly nations game to help the Turkish military celebrate Victory Day.

"This event is intended to recognize the strong Turkish-American relationship at Incirlik during the Turkish Victory Day celebrations," said Lucian Ivan, Incirlik Men's Varsity team captain. "This is a very important holiday in Turkey and with soccer being the most popular sport in Europe, there is no better way to highlight our relationship then with a sports event."

The three-day tournament ended with the friendly match being played Sept. 1 against the Turkish All-Star team at the Hodja High School track and field. Incirlik tied one and won one game against two Turkish squadron teams during the tournament.

Brig. Gen. H. Levent Turkmen, 10th Tanker base commander, said he was impressed with how much the Incirlik Men's Varsity team had improved since the 50th Anniversary Sports Day tournament held in June.

After 28 minutes and nine shot attempts, the All-Stars landed their first goal off a 25-meter kick from Cumali Canpolat. Incirlik varsity player, center defender Chris Hernandez sacrificed his back and saved a sure goal 35 minutes into the game. The majority of the first half the varsity team defended their own goal.

Most of the action took place in the middle of the field. With 10 minutes left in the half, the first real opportunity for the varsity team to even the match was when Lucian Ivan crossed it in front of the keeper in the penalty box just missing the left goal post. Eight other opportunities narrowly missed the goal.

The second goal for the Turkish All-Stars fell just before the end of the first half, off a solid blast from Hacı Hangul for a 2-0 lead.

The start of the second half wasn't much better for the varsity team. Three minutes into the second half, Cumali Canpolat shot his second goal of the game from 25 meters for a 3-0 Turkish All-Stars lead.

"We are using these games not only to strengthen our ties with the Turkish military but also to sharpen our skills for the USAFE soccer tournament, which will take place at



Photo by Airman Dawn Duman

Turkish All-Star mid-fielder, Suleyman Kaya, accelerated past Incirlik Men's Varsity defender, Robert Gilligan, in a friendly Victory Day match Sept. 1. The Turkish All-Stars won the game 4-2 and will keep the Commander's Cup until next year's match.

Camp Darby Italy in October," said Ivan.

After three months of practicing during the week and on weekends the team is moving in the right direction. Only two minutes after the Turkish All-Star's scored their third goal, Marcos Galindo's shot ricocheted off the goalie then Ivan kicked the ball in for the Varsity Team's first goal. Minutes later, the varsity team challenged the Turkish All-Stars defense and got it right again off Janusz Jaworek's chip shot from a free kick dropped in the net over the Turkish All-Stars keeper.

The varsity team kept up the tempo on the offensive end, having three good chances to tie the game, one off Ivan's header that hit the top of the goal post, the

second was Wilredo Navidad-Perez's break away from mid-field with his shot missing the goal by inches and the third on a corner kick that bounced around the penalty box like a pin ball until the All-Star keeper stopped it before crossing the goal line. Mustafa Oguday added the fourth and final goal of the night for the Turkish All-Stars and varsity keeper, Jeff Steward, had eight saves to his credit.

After the game, Col. "Tip" Stinnette, 39th Air Base Wing commander and former college soccer player said, "This was a great event for Team Incirlik. Anytime the two

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wings can come together and play sports, especially the national sport of a country where you're stationed, it helps to cement our strong relationship."

The colonel said there were no yellow cards issued, and no injuries. "Both teams left the field with a little bit more than having played a game, friendship."

Timur Tekinaslan, captain for the Turkish All-Stars and an international referee said it was a good day for both organizations and they look forward to the camaraderie and playing the varsity team for the Commander's Cup again next year.

The Victory tournament centered on the Turkish Holiday Victory Day, said Timur.

"It is like your fourth of July." He said, "It is our independence day."

Team

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the holidays to your friends and family." For appointments send an e-mail with your full name, rank, unit, home and duty extensions, how many people will appear in the recording and three time slot choices to sabra.bryant@incirlik.af.mil. Appointments will be taken until Sept. 15.

WARRIOR OF THE WEEK



Airman 1st Class Christopher Turknett

39th Security Forces Squadron
Security Controller

Time in service: 1 year and two months

Hometown: Chugiak, Alaska

Time on station: 8 months

Hobbies: Baseball, football, snowboarding, movies, traveling around the local area.

Why did you join the Air Force?

It has always been a dream of mine to play pro baseball, through college, the minors and on up. During the pursuit of that dream someone told me that there are more important things to life than throwing a ball around, that really struck me. I got to thinking and started doing what every other teenage boy does and looked to my Dad for inspiration. I used my father as a role model

and followed in his footsteps to join the Air Force.

What do you like the most about Incirlik?

The best part about Incirlik is the troops who make up our base. Whether they are permanent party or TDY we all come together to become a tight-knit family to perform our mission.

How do you contribute to the mission?

I provide command and control to the posted patrols on the installation. I help to maintain site security of facilities through performing entry controller duties.

What is your favorite motto and why?

One team, one fight. It is all about us coming together as a team to get our job done, we are only as strong as our weakest link.

What Air Force core value best describes you and why?

Excellence in all we do. I like to strive to be the best at what I do. I figure if I am going to do something, I might as well be the best at it.

Supervisor's quote:

"Airman 1st Class Turknett has continually displayed an unmatched drive and determination as a security forces member," said Staff Sgt. Benjamin Jenkins, 39th Security Forces Squadron operations supervisor. "He is always eager to learn a new task, and then passes that knowledge on to all of his peers. As his supervisor, I greatly appreciate his constant effort to go above and beyond what is expected."

Classifieds

Wanted: Are you over your household goods weight limit? Collecting too much dust? Not enough time to play? I'm interested in buying your piano. For more information, call Cricket at 6-5687.

Yard sale: Multi-family yard sale Sept. 10 at 3032B Aspria St., Phantom Housing from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Baby items: swing, furniture, clothes, toys, clothes, DVDs, 220 volt appliances, videos and lots of bric-a-brac. Call 6-2404 for more information.

Free pet: Five-year old, gray, female cat. Already spayed with all shots up-to-date. We will have her de-clawed if her new family desires. Fantastic with children and comes with litter box, carrier and food. Call 6-2404

for more information.

PCS sale: RCA 36-inch wide-screen, stand included, \$300. Panasonic 600w Dolby PL Receiver with 100-disc changer, both dual voltage, \$300. Kenwood DVD, dual voltage, \$30, five-shelf black bookcase, \$30. Five piece luggage set, \$50 and two-piece American Traveler matching luggage, \$50. Set of men's left golf clubs with bag, \$60. For more information, call Erik at 6-8282 or 6-5139.

Wanted: The home schooling group is looking for an experienced person to teach a class on Art or Music. Teacher needs to have experience working with children. We will provide flexible hours for the classes. If you have any Art skills such as drawing, sketching, crafts, pottery, etc., call Jackie at 6-2360 or Jason at 6-8075 or email welovejesus247@yahoo.com.

Wanted: A children's 12 volt power wheels toy in decent condition (no cosmetic

damage) faded paint is acceptable, possibly Barbie jeep or Big Foot. Call Corey at 6-8411/2441.



This is the solution for the crossword puzzle published in the Sept. 2 edition of the *Tip of the Sword*. Crossword puzzles are published in the first *Tip of the Sword* edition of every month. For more information, call 6-6060 or e-mail the *Tip of the Sword* staff at tip.sword@incirlik.af.mil.

COMBAT, SPECIAL INTEREST PROGRAM

Combat Education

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University has certificate programs for several specialties. For more information, call 6-1098.

The last day the Incirlik education office can issue tuition assistance for fiscal year 2005 is Sept. 21.

Anyone taking classes starting before Oct. 1 must complete their TA form by Sept. 21. No TA will be issued between Sept. 22 and 30. For more information, call 6-3211.

Project Wizard

The Book Club in a Box program has 10 copies of the same book, discussion questions and tips for running a book club. The Online Book Club allows people to receive a portion of a book each day through e-mail. For more information, call the library at 6-6759.

Combat Touch happenings

Mid-week Bible Study is 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Chapel Annex. For more information, call 6-2188.

Intercessory prayer group is 8 a.m. Saturdays at the chapel. For more information, call 6-2188.

The Crossroads Café is closed Friday. The cafe will be open Saturday 6 p.m. for all ages.

Hours for Sunday worship services at the base chapel in building 945 are:

Protestant:

8 a.m. – Traditional worship service
11:15 a.m. – Gospel worship service
6 p.m. – Contemporary service

Catholic:

9 a.m. – Reconciliation
9:30 a.m. – Mass

Daily Mass is 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays through Fridays.

The chapel also has points of contact for Jewish, Islamic, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and Neo Pagan and Earth based religions.

Personal checks written to the chapel require the sponsor's social security number on them. For more information, call the base chapel at 6-6441.



All in a day's play

One-year-olds Mazzi Carlson (left), daughter of Staff Sgt. Jamie and Master Sgt. Kreg Carlson, and Avery Steele, daughter of Tech. Sgts. Alice and Chad Steele, play at the Child Development Center Thursday.



AT THE OASIS

Today

7 p.m. – Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (PG-13) – Starring Johnny Depp, Freddie Highmore. Charlie Bucket, a boy from an impoverished family under the shadow of a giant chocolate factory, wins a candy bar contest and is given a tour, along with four other children, of the amazing factory run by the eccentric Willy Wonka and his staff of Oompa-Loompas. (106 min)

9:15 p.m. – Land of the Dead (R) – Simon Baker and Asia Argento. In a modern-day world where the walking dead roam, the living try to lead "normal" lives behind the walls of a fortified city. (93 minutes)

Saturday

5 p.m. – Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (PG-13) – Johnny Depp, Freddie Highmore. (106 min)

7:30 p.m. – The Perfect Man (PG-13) – Starring Hilary Duff, Heather Locklear. Holly conceives the perfect plan for the perfect man — an imaginary secret admirer who will romance her mother Jean and boost her shaky self-esteem. When the virtual relationship takes off, Holly finds herself having to produce the suitor, borrowing her friend's charming and handsome Uncle Ben as the face behind the e-mails. Holly must resort to increasingly desperate measures to keep the ruse alive and protect her mom's newfound

happiness, almost missing the real perfect man when he does come along. (111 minutes)

Sunday

9:15 p.m. – Bewitched (PG-13) – Starring Nicole Kidman, Will Ferrell. When Jack accidentally runs into Isabel, he becomes convinced she could play the witch, Samantha, in his new TV series. Isabel is also taken with Jack, seeing him as the quintessential mortal man with whom she can settle down and lead the normal life she so desires. It turns out they're both right—but in ways neither of them ever imagined. (102 minutes)

Thursday

7 p.m. – The Perfect Man (PG-13) – Starring Hilary Duff, Heather Locklear (111 minutes)

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Layer Cake (R) — 11:30 a.m.; 4, 6:45, 9 and 11:30 p.m. (104 minutes)

Red Eye (PG-13) — 11:15 a.m.; 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15, 9:15 and 11:30 p.m. (85 minutes)

The Island (PG-13) — 12:30, 3:30, 6:45, 9:30 and 11:30 p.m. (136 minutes)

Movie listings are subject to changes. On-base listings are courtesy of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service Web site at <http://www.aafes.com/ems/euro/incirlik.htm>; M-1 listings are courtesy of the Tempe Cinemaxx Web site at www.tepecinemaxx.com.tr. For more Oasis information and updates, call the movie recording at 6-6986 or the theater office at 6-9140.